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PRELIMINARY AMENDMENT

Prior to the examination of the above application, please amend this application as follows:

IN THE CLAIMS:

Please add new claims 7-13, as follows:

-//. An optical communication apparatus, comprising:

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